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MINUTES

Thursday, January 10, 2008 Meeting
6:00 p.m.
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 374-A

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

John Hybarger, Chairperson
Sandra Aronberg, Vice Chair
Bradley Nuremberg
Timothy Jones

STAFF PRESENT

Janice A. Davis
Andrew Sevrin

INVITED GUESTS

Miriam Long, 2nd District
Gail Tierney, 4th District
Nyla Jefferson, 2nd District "Fishing In The City" Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hybarger called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 11, 2007 MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Jones, the Commission unanimously approved the October 11, 2007 minutes with no changes.

2008 ELECTION OF OFFICERS: COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were opened from the floor for Chairperson. Commissioner Jones nominated Chairperson John Hybarger, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg, and unanimously carried, Chairperson John Hybarger was elected Chairperson for 2008.

Nominations were opened from the floor for Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Aronberg nominated Commissioner Timothy Jones, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

On motion of Commissioner Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg, and unanimously carried, Commissioner Timothy Jones was elected Vice-Chairperson for 2008.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORT

- Staff reported the current Fish and Game Commission fund balance is \$86,921.05.

On motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Jones, the Commission unanimously received and filed the financial report.

- Ms. Davis distributed the "Fish & Game Expenses FY 2007" report, showing the Commission's total expenses were \$19,600 to fund six (6) Grants in 2007.

BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR GRANT REQUESTS FOR ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS FOR "FISHING EVENTS" IN 2008

Miriam Long, Senior Deputy for the 2nd District presented a video of the "Fishing in the City" event held on August 3, 2007 and then advised the Commission of the following:

- The "Fishing in the City" event started small and has grown in numbers throughout the years. Each year the event brings in more children and volunteers. The event provides foster children from inner cities a fun and eventful day.
- Ms. Long thanked the Commission for their financial support of the 2007 "Fishing in the City" annual event.

Grant requests were received from the following Districts.

- 2nd District - 08/01/08 - Fishing In The City (Requested amount = \$3,000)
- 4th District - 06/07/08 - Knabe Katch at Cerritos (Requested amount = \$2,500)
- 4th District - 10/04/08 - Knabe Katch at La Mirada (Requested amount = \$2,500)

The Commission held in abeyance a sum of \$2,500.00, in the event a Grant Request is received for the Whittier Narrows event.

If needed, a 7% increase will be added to the above mentioned Grants to cover the additional cost of the fish.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, and seconded by Commissioner Aronberg, the Commission unanimously approved the funding for the above Grants for 2008.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A STATEWIDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

Chairperson Hybarger spoke to Commissioner Rogers of the State of California Fish and Game Commission regarding the State hosting a Commissioners' Fish & Game Conference in Sacramento in late spring; all counties in California will be invited.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Nuremberg, the Commission unanimously approved participating in a State Fish & Game Commissioners' Conference.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Aronberg asked if the Commissioners would like information regarding the Marine Protection Act.

At the request of the Chair, Commissioner Aronberg will provide the information at the next Commission meeting.

Chairperson Hybarger gave the following report:

- There will be a sheep capture on January 24, 2008 at Lidell Creek and on January 25, 2008 at Big Bear Lake.

Commissioner Nuremberg commented he may attend the next sheep capture.

Commissioner Jones gave the following report:

- He attended the "Indians as the First Environmentalists" Pow-Wow at Spring Valley Park. He invited the coordinators of the event to attend a future meeting to speak about other events.
- He attended the sheep capture at Mt. Baldy on October 10 and 11, 2007. Three sheep were tagged.
- He expressed concerns over the County Fish and Game Firearms Shooting Map and the importance of an updated version.

Ms. Janice Davis informed the Commission that the Board Letter regarding the Fish and Game Firearms Shooting Map has been submitted to Board Operations for approval prior to being sent to the Board of Supervisors. The Commission requested staff e-mail a copy of the Board Letter to them for review.

Matters not on the Posted Agenda (To be Presented and Placed on the Agenda for a Future Meeting)

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mauro Garcia, Vice President of the Highland Park Sportsmen's Club, addressed the Commission. His club conducts monthly shooting events at the Oak Tree and Angels' Shooting Range. He stated that more signs need to be posted in non-shooting areas to prevent shooting accidents from occurring.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Commissioner Nuremberg and seconded by Commissioner Jones, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice A. Davis
Commission Services Division